# A CATTLE RAISERS' SCHEME

A COMPANY IS TO BE LAUNCHED TO MAKE SUITABLE CAT-

TLE CARS.

### TIRED WAILING ON THE RAILROADS

To Furnish Sufficient and Well Equipped Cars-Already Much Stock Has Reen Subscribed. Plan of the Promoters.

Colorado, Tex., May 27.-(Special.)-Your reporter learns from the best authority that the State Cattle Raisers' association is about to launch a business

project that will be of immense benefit to the members of the association and solve a much mooted question.

It has long been a complaint of the stockmen of this portion of the state that the cars furnished them by the railroads the cars furnished them by the railroads for the transportation of stock were not in the condition they should be, nor were they nearly sufficient in number. The transportation committee of the associa-tion proposes to solve this at once by the formation of a stock empany among the members of the association and the im-mediate construction of at least 500 cars. mediate construction of at least 500 cars as a starter. The plan as outlined in the prospectus, which has the endorse-ment of all the officers or the associa-tion, is as follows:

An association car line, to be known as the Cattle Raisers' Palace Car company, to issue bonds to the amount of \$600,000, in denominations of \$100 each, bearing interest at 5 per cent. These bonds are to be sold to members of the association at 20 cents on the dollar, to association at 20 cents on the dollar, to be paid in two equal payments, extending over a period of three years. In addition to the \$600,000 bond issue above mentioned, there will be an issue of \$200,000 non-redeemable bonds, also bearing 5 per cent interest, to be placed in the treasury of the association, the interest of these bonds to be applied to the general expense fund of the association. The bonds are to run fifteen years. It is estimated that the first cost of the cars will be \$300,000, of which a cash payment of \$70,000 will be required. It is not contemplated there will be any preference in distributing these cars to preference in distributing these cars to members, nor any particular route to market specified, but it is the undoubted intention of the stockmen to favor those roads which have shown them favors in

the past.

The plan has been laid before a large number of the members of the associa-tion already, and the following amount of stock subscribed:

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### EARTHQUAKE SHOCK.

It Caused a Great Panie in Montreal. No Serious Damage.

earthquake shock here tonight at 10:15. From the time the rumble was perceptible antil the shock was over with a great panic ensued. Both the Queen's theatre and the Theatre Francaise were crowde audiences were considerably . Two ladies fainted in the former and had to be carried to the dressing rooms. The audience rose to their feet, but did not leave the house. Three ladies fainted at the Francaise and many in the audience made a break for the door, but a panic was averted when the manager addressed the crowd from the stage, assuring them that there was no danger. The shock caused some little alarm in the hotels, damage has been reported, No serious Telegraphic reports received here indi-

the Ottawa valley and through eastern Quebec. In St. Johns, Quebec, the in-habitants rushed into the streets. It was particularly severe at St. Hillare

Earthquake in Vermont.

Rutland, Vt., May 27.—A slight earth-quake shock was felt throughout the state tonight. Buildings trembled per-ceptibly. At Bellows Falls and Burlingceptibly. At Bellows Falls and Burington the shock was felt twice. The earth-quake was more violent north of here, being distinctly felt at Plattsburg and Montreal. It extended as far south as Fort Edward, N. Y. No damage was

The Rio Grande Rising.

Santa Fe, N. M., May 27.—A rise of eight inches in the Rio Grande is reported from the Colorado line, and it has been raining continually over the Rio Grande watershed north of this city all day. The prospects are that a flood, carrying from one to two feet more water than is now. one to two feet more water than is now wing, has started toward El Paso to-

The rainfall at Santa Fe for the past mouth has been nearly forty inches, or about three times the normal supply. Dispatches tonight report a fresh downpour all day along the Colorado line. This will serve to increase the freshets already flowing in the Rio Grande tributaries. At Chamita the rice has acceptable his Chamita the river has reached the high-est point known in ten years and in the Espanola valley the current is a quarter

Resigned.

Omaha, Neb., May 27.-W. N. Bab-cock, for eight years general manager of the Omaha Union stockyards, has re-

Northern Presbyterians.

Eagle Lake, Ind., May 27.—The interests of the American Sabbath union occupied the time of the Presbyterian general assembly today during the first half hour usually devoted to devotional exercises. Dr. J. W. Hathaway, president of the union, presided, and made remarks during which he said that the desceration of the Sabbath in America had no paralle in Europe.

A report was made by Dr. Withrow of

celebration of the adoption of the West-minster confession standard, reported a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of fifteen and fixing the second Thursday of the assembly's ses-sion as the time of the celebration. The regular order of the morning was reports of the board on aid for colleges. The final order of the morning was the report from the committee on corres-

report from the committee on corres-pondence, Dr. Sutherland of Washington, chairman.

A fraternal communication was read from the Reformed Dutch church and the delegate from the United Presby-terian church, Dr. Campbell of Princeton, Ind.

At the afternoon session greetings were read from the assembly of the Cumber-land Presbyterian church, now in session in Chicago. The regular order of the afternoon was

then taken up, being the report of the board of church correction.

The assembly then adjourned, to meet omorrow morning.

Southern Presbyterians.

Charlotte, N. C., May 27 .- One of the most pleasing incidents of the general assembly occurred late last night in the stirring address of the Rev. Dr. R. H. Joldrsman of Chicago, fraternal delegate from the Reformed church in America. He spoke of the earnest hope entertained by many persons that there might be ef-fected soon a union between the churches and the assembly. His address was cordially received. A resolution to appoint a committee on union with the Re formed church was referred to the com-

mittee on foreign correspondence.

The report on the Sabbath was adopted.
The report on home and school was
made and docketed. It recommends
the separation of the assembly's home at

the separation of the assembly s home at Fredericksburg from its connection with the Fredericksburg college.

Dr. Hoge gave notice of his earnest opposition to this course.

The report on theological seminaries recommended the establishment of a summer school at some convenient point summer school at some convenient point where the learned professors may give popular instructions for the benefit of people generally. A committee to arrange for this was appointed. The committee is as follows: Drs. Summer, Beattie, McPheters, Moore and Ruling Elders Ansell, Hunter of Louisville and Joseph Hardie.

The assembly resumed the Westminster collaboration and beard the Box Dr. L. F.

celebration and heard the Rev. Dr. J. F. Cannon of St. Louis on the difference o the Westminster standards on the indi-vidual, the family and society. His ad-dress was clear and strong, direct and popular.

A heated discussion occurred during the afternoon on the salary of the secretary of foreign missions. A motion was made to reduce it from \$2500 to \$2000. The vote was close, but the recommenda-tion of the committee that it remain at \$2500 was carried. The report of the as-sembly's home is possible.

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Tonight the assembly celebrated the Lord's supper. The attendance was large. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Jolderam of Chicago.

Cumberland Presbyterians.

Chicago, May 27.—At today's session of the Cumberland Presbyterian general assembly the finance committee reported that the books of the treasurer and the stated clerk were correct, showing an expenditure of \$5387 during the year, leaving the assembly in arrears to the extent of \$1527.

This afternoon reports from the committees on publications, Sunday schools, ways and means and temperance were

Women scored a point today at the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterians. It was on the question as to whether Mrs. Schuyler of Kansas should be recognized as a ruling elder of the synod of the church. Mrs. Schuyler of the synod of the church. Mrs. Schuyler won her fight before the judiciary committee, which made a special report on her to the association. However, a resolution was adopted immediately afterwards declaring the action of the assembly should not be construed to mean that it favored appointment or election of women as ruling members ETAOINof mfos

is no serious illness at all.

Picnics still continue very popular on Onion creek, and many parties from town are observed every week. However, no more enjoyable day has been spent than last Wednesday, when the local Sunday school gave a picnic at Baker's crossing. A good sized crowd was present and every one enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

The cotton crop is suffering considerably from the worms, though cort is in a fluorishing condition. men as ruling members ETAOINof mfoS

men as ruling elders. Pullman, the Perfect Town. Chicago, May 27.-George M. Pullman the most perfect town in the world.

BIG SUIT DECIDED.

It Involved the National Wall Paper Company and Many Millions.

New York, May 27.—A suit was decided in the United States circuit court of appeals today involving the National Wall Paper company and \$38,000.00 of securities. The case was considered of great importance, as on its result depended the legality of the \$20,000.00 stock of the National Wall Paper company. The plaintiffs were Cresswell & Washburn, wall paper manufacturers of Philadel. wall paper manufacturers of Philadel-phia. In 1892 the National Wall Paper phia. company was organized and acquired the business of Creswell & Washburn, for which it paid \$326,000 in debenture stock and \$1,831,890 in common stock. The agreement of purchase provided that all the common stock should be placed in trust and that Creswell & Washburn should not be allowed to engage in any other wall paper business in the United States. Subsequently they become dis-States. Subsequently they became dis-satisfied with their bargain and applied for an injunction to restrain the com-pany from paying in the interest on its \$8,000,000 debenture stock, claiming that under the scheme of organization outlined by the character and agreements of the company it had no right to pay its interest so long as its capital was impaired, or unless the interest had been earned. All of the stock of the company had been issued for the good will of the business acquired by it, and it was claimed that the good will was not prop-erty for which stock could be issued, and, further, that the good will had been seriously impaired by the closing of fac-tories, and that the interest could not be paid until this impairment was made good by further profits. Cresswell & Washburn had also

Cresswell & Washburn had also brought proceedings before the attorney general to revoke the charter, on the ground that the stock had been improperly issued and that there were no assets to support it. They had been dedesired in that attempt. The court, on the trial of this case before Judge Wheeler, decided in favor of the company, and in the opinion just handed down his decision is sustained in all points. The court decided that good will is property for which stock may be issued, but that, whether this is true or not, the complainants should not be heard to complain that the stock was improp-erly issued or that there was an overvaluation, inasmuch as they participated

in the transaction.

Mistaken for a Burglar. Cincinnati, May 27.—George A. Duey, who has been connected with the Assothe committee on bills and overtures concerning organic union with the Southern Presbyterian church. The following answer was made and adopted by the assembly:

"We reiterate our readiness to take active steps towards such union as soon as the Lord, in His providence, shall open the way."

Elder James A. Mount, governor of Indiana, chairman of the committee to make recommendations as to the 250th

A PASSENGER AND FREIGHT CRASH TOGETHER AT AMERI-CAN FALLS, IDAHO.

Two Engines Converted Into Scrap Iron-It Is Thought the Air Was Tampered With.

Pocatello, Ida., May 27.-A head-end collision between a freight and passenger train at American Falls, twenty-five miles west of here, at 4:30 o'clock, caused the death, so far as known, of nine men

and the serious injury of eight others.
This is the worst wreck that has occurred on the Short Line in many years.
The westbound passenger train was waiting for the freight at American Falls, standing in front of the station building. The freight coming east 12n away on the hill west of the falls. It is thought the air was tampered with, The freight, running fifty miles an hour. freight, running fifty miles an hour, crashed into the passenger train which was already backed up right in front of the station. Two men were on the station platform. One was killed and the other one fatally injured. The station building was shattered. Both engines were converted into scrap iron and twen-ty freight cars piled up in a heap.

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Eight passengers, sheep shearers and tramps, were crushed to death. Up to noon five bodies had been taken out. George Moore, the engineer of the freight, is seriously injured. The fireman, Dick Cosgrove, had a leg broken, and C. E. Hackman, engineer of the passenger, sustained slight injuries. He stayed by his engine until he reversed it. The conductor and brakeman were on top of the tor and brakeman were on top of the freight, setting the brakes, and Fireman Cosgrove had climbed back to help them when the crash came.

The dead are: C. W. Shields, about 25 years old, resi

lence unknown.
D. L. Thompson, Dayton, Wash
John R. Cooper, Wellsville, Utah.
J. Steggen, Dillon, Mont.

Five unknown men, all sheep shearers, beating their way.

Others injured are: G. W. Brennan, Pearl, Ida., leg broken, F. D. Springer, Dayton, Wash., leg broken. Joseph Bergen, Brigam, leg broken. John Peters, residence unknown, leg

William Connelly, Great Barrington, Mass., crushed and injured internally; will die.

Del Valle Doings. Del Valle, Tex., May 26.—Our community lost one of its best citizens last week in the death of Mr. Blackstock, who expired after a brief illness of only a few days. He was an old and honored resident and will be greatly missed by all.

A camp of the Woodmen of the World has just been organized and is in a flourishing condition. ishing condition.

ishing condition.

Quite a number of Del Valleites are on the sick list at present, though there is no serious illness at all.

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"Fat Sallie" Dead.

Ennis, Tex., May 27.-(Special.)-Sallie Jael, a colored woman of this city, died quite suddenly at her house last night. She was very fleshy, weighing 450 pounds, and was familiarly spoken of as "Fat Sallie." No coffin could be gotten here, and an undertaker made one the diener. has received from Arch Duke Rainer two and was familiarly spoken of as "Fat magnificent medals as testimonials of Sallie." No coffin could be gotten here, honor and merit in founding and building and an undertaker made one, the dimensions of which were: Length, width, 3 feet; depth, 30 inches.

Killed by a Runaway Team. Dallas, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)—At 12:30 today, Frank Hall, an 11-year-old boy, was killed by a runaway team at the Water Pierce oil mill. Shepard Hall, father of the dead boy, is a prisoner in the county jail on a charge of cattle theft. As soon as the news of the accident reached the sheriff's office, Deputy Sheriff John Balick was detailed to conduct the prisoner to his dead son. The father was very much affected.

New Union Depot for Dallas. Dallas, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— Ground was broken today by the Texas and Pacific at the intersection of with the Houston and Texas Central, for the erection of a new

For Horse Theft-Adjudged Insane. Dallas, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— Louis Miller was given six years in the penitentiary for horse theft.

Mrs. C. B. Adams, aged 24, was adjudged insane today. Feeble health was he cause.

Spurious Dollars Circulating. Marshall, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)—
Counterfeit silver dollars are being circulated in this city. The counterfeit is
an unsually good one and readily passes
only on a casual scrutiny. The pieces
bear the date of 1889. The "9" is slightly blurred. On the eagle side of the piece, beneath the wreath, is the let-ter "O."

A Colored Affray.

Marshall, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)—Alex. Kennedy, charged with killing one Trammel with a hoe near Hendricks' lake in Rusk county, on the 19th of May, was captured here yesterday. The par-ties are negroes. Sheriff Standard of Rusk county came over after Kennedy today.

State Militin Inspector.

Houston, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— Lieut. Alfrew Drew of the United States army left this evening under appointmen of Adjt. Gen. Mabry to inspect the vari ous military companies of the state and report on their condition. He visits Galveston first, thence he returns to Heuston, thence to Richmond, Luling, San Antonio, Eagle Pass, Austin and numerous other points. It will take forty-five days to complete the round. to complete the round.

Sent Up for Twenty-Five Years. Galveston, Tex., May 27 .- (Special.)-William Lowthers, charged, with Fred Backus, with the killing of Eugene Pella on April 11, was tried and convicted yesterday in the criminal court and given twenty-five years in the penitentiary. Backus was given the same penalty when tried on Wednesday.

Politics Did Not Enter. Galveston, Tex., May 27 .- (Special.)-Leroy Trice, new general superintendent secu of the International and Great Northern, age.

who is in the city on an inspection tour, denies most emphatically that politics fig-ured in Mr. Campbell's resignation. He resigned of his own accord and for private reasons.

Goes to the U. P.

Palestine, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)—E. C. Manson, for the past two years super-intendent of the car service department of the International and Great Northern, whose office was abolished May 25, has accepted an offer on the Union Pacific at Pocatello, Ida.

Religious Service in a Saloon. Beaumont, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)—As a result of a revival in progress here, religious services were held today in J. T. Gosset's saloon.
Three hundred people were present.

Three ministers took part in the services, which were non-sectarian. Negro Accidentally Killed.

Bryan, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— Michael Thompson, a young negro living five miles south of Bryan, was accidental-ly shot and killed while handling a load-ed shotgun.

Settled by Agreement. Navasota, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— The case of Mrs. Louisa Smith against R. A. Smith, which has been pending in the district court for six years, has been settled by agreement. The heirs receive one-half of all community property and \$5000. The case involved an immense amount of property and several thousand dollars cash.

Charged With Infanticide.

Floresville, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— Henry Johnson and stepdaughter, Lizzie Brooks, both colored, were arrested on a charge of killing to 2 weeks' old baby of the girl. They gave bond in \$1200 each and were released.

Pioneer Texas Preacher Dead. Kemp. Tex., May 27.—(Special.)—Rev. R. I. Watkins, aged S1 years, died this morning at 5 o'clock. Father Watkins was a minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. He was the first ordained preacher on Texas soil. He was one of the pioneer men of Texas, has lived here and preached all over Texas for the past sixty-three years.

Texas Life Insurance Company. Tyler, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)—At a called meeting of the Texas Life Insurance company today, resolutions were adopted that the district court of Smith county be requested to make the re-ceivership permanent, that the concern be wound up as speedily as possible and with as little expense as possible.

Negro Suspects Arrested. Smithville, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— Tom Hardy and Allen White, colored, were arrested and jailed at Bastrop, charged with killing Lewis Drisdall in church a few days ago.

From Galveston to Santone Galveston, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— Tonight Uriah Lott presented his plans to a meeting of citizens in Chamber of Commerce for a railroad from Galveston

to San Antonio.

He wants \$50,000 subscribed to the stock of the railroad, \$100,000 in the construction company and right of way through Galveston county.

This line enters the territory and con-flicts with the building of the Galveston, Brazoria and Southwestern Railroad, recently charactered by Galveston parties under the leadership of L. P. Feather-stone, the secretary of the Gulf and In-terstate. Mr. Featherstone has a corps of engineers in the field, who will be ready to report in a few days.

The Morphine Route. Galveston, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)—Alice Webster, colored, died at Sealy hos pital last night from an everdose of mor-

Young Girl's Sudden Death. ecial. Miss Minna McGauffey, aged 14 years, died at the home of her parents, eight miles southwest of the city, last night from teteanus. Last Tuesday she fell from teteanus. Last Tuesday she fel and a small sliver pierced her right knee It was quite painful, but the liberal use of liniments brought ease, and yesterday she was able to assist in the discharge of household duties. Late in the after noon the knee began to pain her again and teteanus ensued, resulting in death

in a few hours. Body of an Infant Found. Greenville, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— The body of an infant was found yester day in Pool's park in a shoe box. While the finder was after an officer the body was taken off and no trace has been had of it since. No suspicion has been fixed

on any one yet. THE BRIDGES MURDER.

It Has Sensational Features-His Brother-in-Law Arrested.

Corsicana, Tex., May 27.—(Special.)— The killing of R. W. Bridges at Frost, in this county, yesterday afternoon sents some sensational features. T a brother-in-law of the deceased, Will R. Cain, was brought here by officers under arrest, charged with killing Bridges. Cain is a grocery merchant at Frost and is a prominent citizen of that place. The trouble which culminated in the shooting was the claims to domestic differences, Bridges, the deceased, having married a sister of Cain some years ago. A suit for divorce was filed by Mrs. Drusey Bridges, the wife, she praying for a decree of separation and for the cus of her four children.

The facts in the case appear to be that Mrs. Bridges returned to join her brother, Mr. Cain, at Frost, bringing the children with her, and that as soon the citation in the divorce case reached her husband in the Territory he imme-diately departed for Frost, reaching

Cain was brought here today by Sheriff Allen, who went to Frost after him. entered into bond in the sum of \$1000

and was released.

The inquest was held by Justice Wil kinson of Blooming Grove, the verdict being that Bridges met his death at the hands of W. R. Cain. There were thirty-two holes in Bridges' body. One ball passed directly through the heart. The physicians stated that any of the shots would have produced death. He was shot twice with a shotgun and four times with a pistol. with a pistol.

Both parties are members of promi nent families residing at and near Frost, Bridges' remains will be interred near Frost, where his mother and other relatives reside.

Big Strike Ordered.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 27.—The national executive board of the Union Mine Workers of America have decided to order a general strike throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia to secure the 69 cent rate for mining. The order is expected to be in the hands of the work-men within a very few days.

More than 50,000 miners will be af-fected by the order and a desperate strug-gle between the men and operators will

The order, it is said, has been decided upon because of the fact that sixteen large colliers in the Pittsburg district have secured control of all the lake front docking.

THE CUBAN CAUSE.

An Important Meeting to Be Held in Philadelphia Soon.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 27.—It is definitely settled that the most important conference yet held in America in connection with the Cuban cause will assemble in Philadelphia some time next week. Gen. Palma will preside. With him will be Quesada, the charge d'affaires. They are coming here, it is said, to prepare plans that may meet the entire approval of the administration at Washington. It is said that as soon as Secretary Sherman became secretary of state he sent for Quesada. That interview has had more to do with the coming conference than any one thing that has occurred in Cuban Philadelphia Soon.

to do with the coming conference than any one thing that has occurred in Cuban affairs since the inauguration of the war two years ago. To some it seems to mean that the autonomy of Cuba will be granted. To the extremists it appears that independence and then alliance with the United States will be the result. The Cubans say they have reason to believe the McKinley administration is going to carry out the policy upon which McKinley became president.

OHIO SILVER REPUBLICANS.

State Conference Held at Columbus-Organizing for the Future. Columbus, O., May 27.-The state con

Columbus, O., May 27.—The state conference of silver republicans called by Provision State Chairman Davis of Findlay, under instructions from National Provisional Chairman Towne of Minnesota, met in the board of trade auditorium at 11 a. m., with Dr. Spencer Garwood of Milford Centre in the chair and about 100 persons in the audience.

Allen W. Thurman of this city, democratic candidate for governor, and Gen. A. J. Warner of Marrietta were among those attending. Mr. Towne is present. He served as a republican in congress on term from the Duluth district.

I'rovisional Chairman Davis says the organization which is being formed is for free and unlimited coinage of all gold and silver that comes to the mints, at the

and silver that comes to the mints, at the ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the consent of any other nation, and the sup-port of any party that fully expressed our ideas on this subject.

Committees are to be appointed with

power to nominate a state ticket in the future if necessary.

At the afternoon session a resolution declaring in favor of reorganizing the republican party was voted down. A reso-lution was adopted providing for the organization of a state central committee and giving it authority to decide whether an independent ticket shall be nominated or the candidates of some other ticket

The Dana law, preventing the name of a candidate from appearing more than once on the Australian ballot was con-

THE DURRANT CASE.

The Old Soldier Shows That His First Statement Was Unreliable. San Francisco, Cal., May 27.—A letter was received today from W. L. Bryant, the old soldier who recently swore to a sensational affidavit to the effect that he saw Rev. J. G. Gibson, postor of Emmanuel church, carrying the body of a woman up to the belfry on the date of the Blanche Lamont murder, which effectually disposes of that document and proves the unreliability of the writer. Although the letter was mailed at Mon-

proves the unreliability of the writer. Although the letter was mailed at Montevista, Col., four days after Bryant made his affidavit, he states he never saw either Gibson or Durrant to his knowledge, but that two women. Hester Hicks and Henriette Bigsby, had offered him \$5000 to swear that he was in the church at the time wheat the was in the committed and that he saw the person who committed the crime. Nothing is known of either of the women.

Big Railroad Tenst Deed. Omaha, Neb., May 27.—A trust deed for \$15,000,000, conveying all the rights of the Omaha, Minneapolis and Buffalo Railroad company to the Missouri, Kan-sas and Texas Trust company of this

was filed today. The former com pany was incorporated to build a railroad from Omaha through Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Ganada to Buffalo The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Trust company is looking as the financial end of the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf

Road company. Road company.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Omaha, Minneapolis and Buffalo road, held in this city, March 1, 1897, it was resolved to issue 30,000 coupon bonds of \$500 each at 5 per cent, payable in gold or sterling money, free of all government tax or duty and due in thirty years. The mortgage includes all lines and branches built or to be built. built or to be built.

Negro Child Roasted Alive.

Selma, Ala., May 27.—A most horrible crime was committed near this city yes-terday. Billy Griffin, colored, aged 4 years, went to the house of his grandmother, Millie Griffin, and seeing a hoc-cake on a gridiron, helped himself to a piece of it without the knowledge or con-sent of his grandmother. This furiously enraged the old woman and she proceeded to punish the child by tying him up in an empty oat sack, tying it on a pair of pot hooks up the chimney and leaving him there while she went to work in the field. About two hours later an uncle of the child heard groans in the cabin and was horror stricken to find that the had caught fire and the child had been roasted alive. The negroes in the neigh-borhood gathered at the cabin, and it was with difficulty that they were prevented from lynching the old woman, who is 75

years old.

A Democratic Victory. Richmond, Va., May 27.—The vote to-day was light all over the state. The elections were for county officers and on the question of calling a constitutional convention. Returns up to midnight cov-ering about three-quarters of the counties in the state, render it certain that the proposition to call a convention to frame a new constitution is defeated by an a new constitution is defeated by an overwhelming majority. So far as party lines were concerned, the net result is a victory for the democrats.

Toll Raiders Causing Trouble. Lexington, Ky., May 27.—Company E., Kentucky State Guard, fifty strong, act-Kentucky State Guard, fifty strong, acting under the orders of Governor Bradley, left here on a special tonight for Owensville. The company will reach Owensville about midnight. The company was ordered out by request of Sheriff Lagee of Bates county, who, it is reported, has information that a strong mob of toll gate raiders would try to take Johnson, their raiders would try to take Johnson, their captured chief, from the Owensville jail tonight. Failing in this, it is reported the raiders will attempt to take Johnson from the hands of the sheriff during his

To Fight the Bell Company.

Chicago, May 27.—About 100 represen-tatives of telephone companies of the central and western states arrived in Uncago today for the purpose of participating in a convention called for the announced purpose of perfecting an organization to fight the Bell Telephone company. The purpose of the convention is to effect a national organization of all the independent telephone companies in the tral and western states arrived in Chiindependent telephone companies in the United States to combat the Bell com-

# ALL CAUSED BY A FOUL BALL

STUDENTS, MILITIAMEN AND PO-LICEMEN ENGAGE IN A DIS-GRACEFUL CLASH.

## BATS AND BILLIES FREELY USED

Several of the Combatants Knocked Down and Seriously Hurt-One Student May Die-South Carolina College the Scene.

Memphis, Tenn., May 28 .- A special to the Commercial-Appeal from Columbia, S. C., says:

This city is in a fever of excitement tonight over a serious clash which occurred this afternoon between the students of the South Carolina college and the local militia, who were undergoing their annual inspection on the athletic grounds of the former. The students were using one end of the ground in a ball game, when a foul ball struck Maj. Evans' horse, and Adjt. Gen. Watts turned and began an altercation with Capt. Webster of the college ball team and requested the students, who had congregated, to move back. This they refused to do, and he wheeled his horse into the crowd, which scattered, but returned and seemed prepared to hold its ground. Gen. Watts ordered Col. Jones, who was in command of the battalion, to move his men forward. Jones immediately gave the order, and with Gen. Watts, Maj. Evans and Lieut. Stokes mounted in advance. the battalion advanced steadily with arms shouldered. The crowd stood still until the troops were upon them. Then the larger part gave way, but a few, armed with ball bats, charged the line, and when Student Brooker knocked a private down they broke through the line. The police then attempted to arrest Brooker, but the students charged en masse to make a rescue. Bats were freely used, and the policemen were severely handled, one being knocked senseless. The fight then began general. Bats and billies were freely used, the militiament remaining quietly on the ground that they had won. The policeman who had been knocked down then rose and began striking wildly with his club, and a student was trying to brain him with a bat when Private Dunning knocked him down with his gun. Professor of History R. M. Davis also interfered in the hope of quelling the riot, but was promptly knocked down and his head seriously cut with a bat,

The professors then interfered in force and quieted the students, quite a number of whom were bruised and cut. When the place was cleared it was found that student McCall, who had been struck in the melee, was lying on the ground in an unconscious condition. An examination showed that his skull was crushed, and he is in a critical condition and will be operated on tonight. He may die. Gen. Watts refuses to make a statement. An investigation may follow.

The Double Event Took Place in

Chicago-Both Were Murderers. Chicago, May 28.-William T. Powers and John Lattimore, both colored, were hanged in the county jail today, the first louble execution since the hanging of the anarchists in 1887 and the first double execution ever held in Chicago. Both men were cool and walked unassisted to the scaffold. Neither had anything to say. The drop fell at 12:15. Powers hung perfectly motionless after the drop, neck having been broken, Lattimore, however, drew his legs up convulsively

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William T. Powers was executed for the murder of John T. Murphy, a saloon keeper, by whom Powers was employed as a porter. On the night of December 29, 1896, Powers stole into Murphy's bedroom and beat his head to a pulp with a stoy reduce the shiest being which a stoy reduce the shiest being which

stove poker, the object being robbery. Powers was 23 years old. John Lattimore and Henry Rucker vere convicted of the murder of Louis Marvec on the tow path of the drainage canal near Summit, November 29, 1896. Rucker confessed when arrested and was given a 25-year sentence. In this case, too, the object was robbery. Lattimore's

age was 26,

Would Not Be Safe in Paris. Paris, May 28.-A number of people who have been interviewed by represen-tatives of the Galouis on the subject of Emperor William of Germany visiting Paris during the exhibition of 1900, agree that his majesty's visit is inadmissible as long as the question of Alsace-Lorraine exists.

Cubans From Pinar Del Rio.

New Orleans, May 28.—Jose Pedro Tomas and Isaac Pando reached here today from Esperanza, in Pinar del Rio, escaping through the Spanish lines, They say the Spanish soldiers are confined to the large cities, venturing out only in daylight, and then in such large bodies that it would be foolish for the Cubans to give battle. The latter continue the guerilla battle. The latter continue the guerilla warfare with deadly effect and will go into quarters during the rainy season in very good condition, raising food crops while free from attack.

Greek Royalty's Precarious Position London, May 29.—The Morning Post's London, May 29.—The Morning Post's correspondent at Constantinople says:

Today (Friday) the embassies received word from their respective ministers at Athens that the positions of the Greek royal family is now critical. King George is practically barricaded in the palace, and it is reported he is making his preparations for evacuating Athens in order to escape the fury of the popular in order to escape the fury of the popu-lace. The relations between the king and M. Ralli, the premier, are very much strained and the general situation is ex-

Southern Wholesale Grocers.

Nashville, Tenn., May 28.—Only short sessions of the Southern Wholesale Grocers' convention were held this morning because the committees were not ready to report. W. F. Vandiver, chairman of the committee on freight differentials. the committee on freight differentials, made his annual report. The snuff committee will make an important report tomorrow. Tomorrow officers will be elected, and in the afternoon a trip will be made to Belle Meade, if the business of the convention is concluded-